Filaria in Eraniel.

64. ✻MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any investigation has been conducted as to the causes of filaria in Eraniel ; and

(*b*) the extent to which want of latrines, want of good drinking water and the insanitary condition of the tanks and their surroundings contribute towards the spread of the disease ?

MR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Mosquitoes which breed in the tanks, and in pits, cesspools, etc., contribute to the spread of filaria.

Middle School Examination.

65. ✻MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the total number of candidates who appeared for the Middle School Examination held in April 1940 ; and

(*b*) the number of candidates who failed in Malayalam and Tamil texts, whether alone or along with other subjects ?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: (*a*) 9,115.

(*b*) 2,829.

Medical Fee.

66. ✻MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR : Will the Government be pleased to state whether the recent Government order *re* fee for medical treatment applies also to injured complainants in criminal cases sent for treatment by Courts and Magistrates ?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE (*Surgeon Geneal*) : When the complainants in criminal cases are sent by the Police or Magistrate for treatment, no fee will be levied. But when the complainants come for treatment of their own accord, the injured will be dealt with as an ordinary case and fee charged if he is able to pay.

Volunteer Vaccinators in the Health Department.

67. ✻ MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*) : Will the Government be pleased :

(*a*) to state whether there are volunteer vaccinators in the Health Department at present ;

(*b*) if so, to lay on the table a statement showing, in the order of seniority, the number of volunteers, their names, community, their qualifications and the date on which each of them was entertained ; and

(*c*) if they have already put in acting service, to lay on the table a statement showing, the date on which each was so appointed and the total period of acting service each had on 30-12-1115 ?

MR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI : (*a*) No.

(*b*) and (*c*) These do not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

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